**Fishing for Data**

Read the ***claim*** about Greek militarism. This ***claim*** is an arguable and supportable statement but it cannot stand alone. You must choose ***data*** from the fishing pool below to support that ***claim***. Be careful to choose only the ***data*** that seems to specifically connect to the claim. Be prepared to explain (***warrant***) your reasoning.

**The Ancient Greeks were *bellicose* and militant.**



**In the Persian war, the Persians outnumbered the Greeks, “yet the invaders [Persians] were amazed to see ‘a mere handful of men coming on at a run without either horsemen or archers’” (World History 110).**

**“From childhood, a Spartan prepared to be part of a military state. At the age of seven, boys began training for a lifetime in the military. Toughened by a coarse diet, hard exercise, and rigid discipline, Spartan youths became excellent soldiers” (World History 107).**

**In the *Illiad*, Homer tells of the Trojan War in which Achilles drags Hector behind a chariot after killing him in battle.**

**The Greeks used iron weapons instead of bronze.**

 **bellicose—demonstrating aggression and willingness to fight.**

**During the Renaissance, Europeans idolized the Ancient Greeks.**

**Philosophers of the Enlightenment, including the founding Fathers of America, studied and built upon ideas from Ancient Greece.**

**Sparta had an army.**

**The Greeks believed any non-Greek was a barbarian yet they engaged in many Greek on Greek battles between city-states.**

**The Greeks developed the Phalanx, which is a battle formation in which soldiers get in a tight group protected by their interconnected shields and advance on their enemy using their spears.**

**The Ancient Greeks are credited with the first theater performances.**

**Socrates, Aristotle and Plato were Greek philosophers who studied and questioned human nature, government and our purpose in life.**

**Athens had a navy.**

**The Hoplite was a Greek soldier.**